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BAYULKEN TO INDONESIA

1. SUMMARY: WEEK LONG VISIT TO INDONESIA OF

TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER UMIT HALUK BAYULKEN
AUGUST 13-19 APPEARED TO BE LARGELY CEREMONIAL IN
NATURE IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY SIGNIFICANT BILATERAL
MATTERS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND CAME OFF
SMOOTHLY. FOLLOWING BASED ON PRESS REPORTS. END SUMMARY.

2. BAYULKEN VISITED INDONESIA IN RESPONSE TO INVITATION EXTENDED BY GOI FOREIGN MINISTER ADAM MALIK DURING VISIT TO TURKEY IN JUNE 1972. AFTER COURTESY CALLS ON PRESIDENT SUHARTO, VICE PRESIDENT HAMENGKU BUWONO IX AND PARLIAMENTARY LEADERS AUGUST 14, BAYULKEN FLEW TO BALI AUGUST 15 FOR TWO DAYS OF SIGHTSEE NOBM FOLLOWING RETURN TO JAKARTA HE ETTENDED OPENING OF PARLIAMENT (ALONG WITH OTHER FOREIGN DIGNITARIES INCLUDING PRINCE GHOLAMREZA PAHLEVI OF IRAN) AT WHICH SUHARTO DELIVERED ANNUAL STATE ADDRESS AND PARTICIPATED IN FESTIVITIES UNCLASSIFIED

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MARKING INDONESIA'S 28TH INDEPENDENCE DAY.

BAYULKEN ALSO HELD FORMAL TALKS WITH MALIK, SIGNED TURKISH-INDONESIA CULTURAL AGREEMENT AND PRESENTED DRAFT OF TREATY ON FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION FOR GOI CONSIDERATION.

- 3. JOINT COMMUNIQUE BASED ON BAYULKEN-MALIK TALKS CONTAINED LITTLE OF SUBSTANCE APART FROM USUAL WARM EXPRESSIONS OF MUTUAL FRIENDSHIP AND APPEALS FOR SETTLEMENT OF MIDDLE EAST, CYPRUS, SOUTH ASIA AND INDOCHINA PROBLEMS ON BASIS OF PEACEFUL NEGOTIATION. ONLY SLIGHT NOTE OF DISAGREEMENT IN COMMUNIQUE CONCERNED INDONESIA'S ARCHIPELAGO THEORY ON LAW OF THE SEA. BAYULKEN SAID "HE APPRECIATED THE VITAL IMPORTANCE OF THE ARCHIPELAGO PRINCIPLE TO THE PARTICULAR INTERESTS AND GEOGRAPHICAL REALITIES OF INDONESIA", BUT POINTED OUT THAT "IN APPRAISING THESE PRINCIPLES... DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHICAL REALITIES AND INTERESTS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD SHOULD ALSO BE DULY TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION AND RESPECTED".
- 4. IN PRESS CONFERENCE AUGUST 16, BAYULKEN NOTED MANY SIMILAR INTERESTS BETWEEN INDONESIA AND TURKEY AND SAID HIS VISIT TO INDONESIA WAS LONGEST OFFICIAL VISIT HE HAD EVER MADE. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT SUEZ CANAL COULD BE REOPENED TO FACILITATE TRADE AND CLOSER RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.
- 5. ASKED ABOUT THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE, HE SAID TURKEY SHARED COMMON INTERESTS WITH THE NON-BLOC NATIONS IN MANY AREAS SUCH AS DECOLONIZATION, FOREIGN AID FOR DEVELOPING NATIONS, POLLUTION AND UNCTAD.
- 6. IN RESPONSE TO REPORTER'S QUESTION ABOUT CONTINUATION OF TURKEY'S MEMBERSHIP IN NATO AND CENTO IN VIEW OF GROWING DETENTE BETWEEN THE GREAT POWERS, BAYULKEN SAID IT WAS TOO EARLY TO ACCURATELY ASSESS THE MEANING OF THE NEW UNCLASSIFIED

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